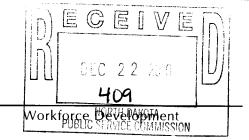


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December 21, 2010

James Deutsch ND Public Service Commission 600 E Boulevard Ave. Bismarck, ND 58505

"Letter of Clearance" In Conformance with the North Dakota Federal Program Review System - State Application Identifier No.: ND101220-0500

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

SUBJECT: 2011-2014 Abandoned Mine Lands Simplified Grant

The above referenced application has been reviewed through the North Dakota Federal Program Review Process. As a result of the review, clearance is given to the project only with respect to this consultation process.

If the proposed project changes in duration, scope, description, budget, location or area of impact, from the project description submitted for review, then it is necessary to submit a copy of the completed application to this office for further review.

We also request the opportunity for complete review of applications for renewal or continuation grants within one year after the date of this letter.

Please use the above SAI number for reference to the above project with this office. Your continued cooperation in the review process is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

James R. Boyd

Manager of Governmental Services Division of Community Services

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